

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (http://www.epa.gov/brownfields).

EPA Region 10 Brownfields Team (206) 553-7299 EPA Region 10 Brownfields Web site (https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/brownfields-and-land-revitalization-washington-i daho-oregon-and-alaska)

Grant Recipient: City of Vernonia, OR (503) 429-5291

The information presented in this fact sheet comes from the grant proposal; EPA cannot attest to the accuracy of this information. The cooperative agreement for the grant has not yet been negotiated. Therefore, activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.

Assessment Grants

\$100,000 for hazardous substances

\$100,000 for petroleum

EPA has selected the City of Vernonia for two brownfields assessment grants. Community-wide hazardous substances grant funds will be used to inventory brownfield sites throughout the city and conduct up to three Phase I and four Phase II environmental site assessments. Petroleum grant funds will be used to inventory brownfield sites throughout the city and conduct up to three Phase I and two Phase II environmental site assessments. Grant funds also will be used to conduct community outreach activities and develop cleanup plans.